

Monday, 15 Aug 2011

**TAP / PATHWAYS**[Curriculum](#)[Global Immersion](#)[FAQ](#)[Program Overview](#)[Tuition & Fees](#)[Alumni News](#)[PATHWAYS](#)**SECUCC eNewsletter**

**Sign up for SECUCC  
Email Newsletter**

 
**Southeast Conference FAQ's**[Who is the SEC?](#)[Who is the UCC?](#)[How Do I Find a UCC Church?](#)[What Ministries are Available?](#)[Is Training Available?](#)YOU ARE HERE: [HOME](#) ► [TAP/PATHWAYS](#) ► [PATHWAYS](#)**Welcome to PATHWAYS**

*Transformative Theological Education  
for a Changing World*

*"The future of the church depends  
on theological education..."*

*"The future is now, and it is full of promise!"*

—Daniel Aleshire

The vision of **PATHWAYS** is to create, promote, and deliver transformative theological education in the Southeast Conference UCC, the United Church of Christ, and North America and beyond, in order to meet the changing leadership needs of today's church.



In response to the challenges and opportunities of the changing religious landscape and the state of theological education in North America, the mission of **PATHWAYS** is to bring together the best of traditional theological education and the contemporary experiences of the church towards formation of new ministry models by offering affordable, accessible and excellent theological education to lay and authorized leaders. [Link here to read program flyer.](#)

**PATHWAYS** is the next incarnation of the **Theology Among the People (TAP)** program which has been equipping lay and licensed ministers successfully in the Southeast Conference for over 12 years. We have taken the best of **TAP** and integrated and built upon it to create a new program that is responsive to the changing needs of the church for well-formed pastoral leaders.

**Who Should Consider PATHWAYS**

- **PATHWAYS** theological education is for lay leaders, authorized ministers, and for those who are seeking authorization for ministry.
- **PATHWAYS** is represented by two significant entities working together in a collaborative and creative approach: the **Southeast Conference of the United Church of Christ (SECUCC)** and **Lancaster Theological Seminary (LTS)**.
- **PATHWAYS** courses will be facilitated by experienced and trained practitioners and seminary faculty.

*Graduate  
Testimonials*

## WHAT IS PATHWAYS

PATHWAYS offers THREE levels of learning:

- Level 1 – Two years in length; designed for lay leaders to develop theological and ministry competency with focus on biblical and practical theological reflection and praxis.
- Level 2 – Three years in length; designed for lay and authorized ministers to advance and enrich theological understanding and inform ministry methodology in a fast changing world.
- Level 3 – Four years in length; designed for authorized ministers with ministry experience and for those seeking to be newly authorized for ministry.

## The Flexibility of PATHWAYS

- PATHWAYS will be offered regionally and nationally, and eventually, globally.
- Each level of the program entails face-to-face regional meetings and on-line classrooms that are accessible from the participant's own home or office.

## PATHWAYS Training

- PATHWAYS theological education is hybrid in delivery; it uses both face-to-face and on-line technologies that are both synchronous and asynchronous.
- PATHWAYS learners will begin the program with a face-to-face retreat and will convene face-to-face at least once each year.
- PATHWAYS learners will join in periodic synchronous ("real time") meetings via webinars or similar platforms.
- Most of the courses will be asynchronous using a platform such as Moodle or MySakai.
- PATHWAYS uses the cohort model promoting the development of intentional communities of collaborative and peer learning.

## PATHWAYS Rolls Out this Fall

- PATHWAYS will launch its first Facilitator Training Course in August, 2011.
- PATHWAYS will launch its first learning group, Cohort One beginning with Course One in a face-to-face retreat in October, 2011.
- NOW ACCEPTING INQUIRIES!

For more information contact [Kathy Clark](#) directly, PATHWAYS Executive Director.

### SECUCC CONTACTS

- ▶ [Conference Minister](#)
- ▶ [TAP Director](#)
- ▶ [SEC Donations](#)
- ▶ [Church Development](#)
- ▶ [Communications Director](#)

### SECUCC RESOURCES

- ▶ [Annual Meeting](#)
- ▶ [Global Theological Education](#)
- ▶ [Local Church News](#)
- ▶ [SEC Churches](#)
- ▶ [Seminars/Webinars](#)

### FAVORITE LINKS

- ▶ [Bridge 4 Faith](#)
- ▶ [The Center for Progressive Renewal](#)
- ▶ [United Church of Christ](#)
- ▶ [Mission Insite](#)
- ▶ [Resource Center](#)

### EVENTS CALENDAR

« < August 2011 > »						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

[Steps to Planting a New Church](#)   [News](#)   [Contact Us](#)   [Donate](#)

